BLOOMERS IN TOPEKA

Do Not Have Many Friends Among Bicyclists.

Have Many Praises for Them-A Sumber of Ladies Tell Row Their Contumes Are Made.

A YEAR FROM NOW.

"What, ho, Sir Hobin, bring an arrer, Methinks I've seen a cr minre rarer Than any beast I've seen before.
It just went flating by the door."
Quoth Lady goods with a hitch
to her suspenders, after which
sir Robin brought the deadly arrer—
A quiver lingored in his marrer. My Lasty bent her trusty bow
And let the deadity arror go;
The victim gave one started dry
To see the missie whistle by,
"Oh, my," she cries—My Lady heard 'er.
"I mighty near committed morder?"
Gasped Lady Robin in distress,
"It was a woman in a dress."
—STATE JOURNAL Poet.

treadmill of pleasure is a bicycle and about twenty-five who own bicycles. If the enthusiasm of these women is as contagious as it is among the men, the town will soon be full of feminine wheelers." Of these women there are who do not look askence will be a bicycle and the enthusiasm of these women is as contagious as it is among the men, the town will soon be full of feminine wheelers." Of these women there are only two or three who do not look askence will be allocked. It is a fixed the the match. In the parents were land, Big Springs; Carrie Crockett, Richland; Clara Havekotte, Berryton: Adia Strawn, Pauline; Ida Kecs, Auburn; Anna L. Cobbs, Mission Center; E. D. Hemstead, Seabrook; Mrs. J. L. Campbell, Tecumseh; Misses Jennie Steele, Goldenrod: Ethel Aldrich, Independont over it. Every woman knows she was over it. only two or three who do not look askance ence; Mesars, H. L. Aidrich, Dover, at anything resembling trousers for a bicycle suit, however full these trousers be. Indeed, at the mere mention of bloomers these modest women look disgusted. Of course, it is not to be told that about three-fourths of the women look distributed by the side mere the look of the women look distributed by the look of the loo who ride wore their husband's or brother's trousers while they were learning, and one woman who learned to ride alone in one evening only accomplished it after Sievens, Pleasant Hill; R. B. Skinner, tearing two skirts, by donning her bathing suit, but it is a well known fact that she and Mrs. Arthur Cappen one of the women who so roundly denounces the bloomers that have been seen on the street, made herself a regu-lation suit with Turkish trousers early in with a dance in the Union Pacific hotel,

ing simply for pleasure," said Miss Davis to the Journal reporter, "I should | Small, James Kinnerly. frequent the country roads and wear bloomers perhaps. But I have ridden many miles in my suit and it has never bothered me in the least." Miss Davis' suit is of blue serge and the skirt is about three inches from the ground. It measures three yards and a half around the bottom and is lined throughout with percaline without a velvet facing, which is apt to catch in the Under this she does not wear a skirt, but silk Turkish trousers, and her over it. It has the appearance of a natty street dress and in the eyes of most poris. women the objection to bloomers is Dis on the street.

Miss Hessie Buhre is opposed to reform dress for the bleyele, and in response to the Journan's inquiry as to Miss Grace Weiss issued on Buhre said: "I find that a scant serge on Friday evening of next week. Skirt weighted with flattened lead is very comfortable, and with it I wear a black week with relatives in Kansas City. trousers of which will be afternoon.

It is the short tops. I Mrs. Lie very full and reach to the shoe tops. shall wear cloth gaiters and a jacket that are very comfortable, but the pleasure in wearing them is offset by the curiosity Whist club this afternoon. people display when one appears on the

heavy serge skirt is more to her taste than any kind of bloomers.

Mrs. W. E. Swift, Miss Kate J. Whitmen who ride a great deal do not look favorably upon the reform dress.

thusiastic advocates of the bloomer cos-tume in the city. Miss Marmont says that any skirt is bound to fly in the wind and make it hard to propel the wheel, and that the chances of accident are overcome in bloomers. Her costume has Bethany young ladies at tea last evening. tive yards of serge in the Turkish trousers and has the appearance of a divided skirt off the wheel,

Mrs. H. H. Arthur has a bloomer suit of green serge that she wore all summer visit Mrs. S. J. Crawford tomorrow. and she believes that women should not

Mrs. Kern has worn a bloomer costume of dark blue on the street for several months, with a jaunty cap and leggings and there are many other women who only look with disfavor upon the costume in daylight

There are more women in town who rent wheels than men and the bicycle dealers predict that next year will see

more women riding than men. There are a whole lot of stories told business. about bicycle enthusiasts, but a young tady who visited in Kunsas City recently taxes our credulity by saying that "bichloris" caused the divorce of a young husband and wife down there. twain were inveterate riders; he fell ill from it, and she was so infatuated with her wheel that she left him bag and this city. baggage when the physician said he must cycle no more! Alas, what tragic her sister, Mrs. Kathryn Law. events may follow in the wake of a pusumatic tire. Not only are bones broken, but lives are wrecked, as though the machine was a juggernaut, and now | Hankla. that it figures in the divorce court, who

knows what may not happen? IN SOCIETY CIRCLES.

Items of Interest About Topeka People and

Visitors in Town. the initial party augured well for the success of the accies of parties that will be given during the winter. The officers have established a code of etiquette that is universally respected, and the pleasure is unable to receive friends. last evening was harmonious and enthustastic. The young ladies were gowned anew for the occasion and a zest prevailed that good music and a summer's respite from dancing inspires. Those present were: Misses Films Speer, Willa Rodgers, Margaret Bear, Laura Weidling, Edna McClintock, Nina Sheafor, Mabel Quigley, Lillian Whitlock, Edna Morehouse, Craudie Packard, Mabel Knowles, Norma Smith, Grace Van Houten Mabai. Norma Smith, Grace Van Houten, Mabel 924 Quincy street. About thirty ladies Baker, Grace Weiss, Bessie Moss, availed themselves of her hospitality, Lillian Tefft, Fannie Moon, Caro Pen- and were most charmingly entertained mold, Vera Low, May Chamberlain, Edna | by their hostess.

Crane, Sasie Wilder, Libbie Hazlett, Lela Saxton, Jessie Shellabarger; Messrs. Frank Davis, Fred Gillett, Charles Kleinhans, Bert Lemon, Dick Rodgers. THOSE WHO WEAR THEM, HOWEVER, Geo, Kilmer, Chas. Tipton, Ernest Council, Louis Smith, Clyde Grubbs, Tom Clements, Fay Howe, and Walter Smith.

A Dinner to Correspondents. Mr. Arthur Capper entertained the correspondents of The Mail throughout McDonald, Capt. J. G. Waters, Capt. A. A. Rowley, Mrs. A. J. Arnold, J. W. Stout and Mr. Elmer Dickinson delivered Her story is not a new one. When she There are 100 women in Topeka whose | W. Pettijohn, Hoyt; Misses Neitie Geedette; George Tincher, Elmont; F. E.

Pleasant Dancing Party. The young people of North Topeka opened their social season last evening the summer and her friends guyed her and the following young people spent a

so unmercifully that she packed it away in the deepest trunk she could find.

Miss Davis, who rides a wheel to and from her work, says that bloomers are kins, Nellie Raub, Nellie Wetherholt. an unnecessary evil for the woman bicy- | Minnie Norris, Mary Wiley, Kittle Jor-Will Lacey, Clarence Cartor, Charles

> General Social Notes. Atchison are the guests of Mrs. R. B. Gemmell

Archie F. Williams has gone to Omaha. Mr. and Mrs. I. Sperry of Rock Island, Ill., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. L.

Mrs. Charles Gleed and daughter ac companied Mr. Gleed home from his trip to Boston and New York on Tuesday. waist is of fancy silk with a short jacket days to visit her daughter. Mrs. James and she could then have a chance to take

Miss Mary McFadden of Worcester, O. the attention and comment they struct arrived today to make her sister, Mrs. N. P. Garretson an extended visit. Mr. J. P. Davis went to Excelsion

Miss Grace Weiss issued cards today the advantage of reform dress Miss to about fifty friends for a dancing party

alpaca underskirt. Next year I The Philharmonic society will meet expect to have a bloomer suit, with Miss Myrtle Jetmore on Monday

Mrs Lieut Statensburg, who has been shall wear cloth gatters and a jacket that visiting her mother, Mrs. La Tourette, refalls a foot below the waist. Bloomers turned to Ft. Myers vesterlay. Mrs. T. E. Pounds is entertaining the

Mrs. Dent Sharp of Ft Leavenworth, who has been visiting Mrs. Cockey, re-Mrs. W. C. F. Reichenbach says that a turned home yesteriny. Miss Lon Neely returned to her home

in Leavenworth today.

Mrs. Chas. Smith has returned from The Misses Marmont are the most en-lusiastic advocates of the bloomer cos-with her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Stultz, before going to Colorado.

Mr. John E Frost's son Russell is ill with distheria. Miss Mabel Martin entertained several

Miss Gertrude Boughton of Lawrence s spending Sunday with Miss Edith, male suffragists.

Kans, on Monday.

Mrs. P. L. Soper will entertain the at

ding at tea tomorrow evening. Mrs. Jonathan Thomas entertained a evening for Dr. E. C. Ruy. Dr. N. M. Nye has gone to Boston on

The Woman's Republican association met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Katharine Luz

The Kansas City vesterday.

I ill Madame Barabini has accomplished as individuals than as an association. much in the way of voice building in

Mrs. Ohans, of Kansas City, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clay Holmes and daugh-

ter Flora, will arrive tomorrow from Elmira, N. Y., to visit Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Frank Edson will spend Sunday in

Miss Hortense Kelly, Messrs. Geo. Crawford and Theodore Hammatt, went to Emporia today to spend Sunday with Miss Alice Hood,

Ike M. Cohen will spend Sunday in Miss Emma Stevens, daughter of F. S.

Miss Blanche Mulliken, of Newark, N. J., who visited in the city last winter,

PARTED WITH HER CHILDREN. One of the Pathetle Occurrences Often Seen at the Orphans' Home

Dean Low, Chamberlain, Clarence Evans, Fred McGiffen, David Lakin, David Harvey, Ed Dennis, Allen Lauck, Julius Weidling, Dick Rodgers, Ralph Moore, Howard Wood, Harry Wood, Harry Williams, Rassie Bennett, Robert McMasters, Martin Britton, Wilson Lauck, Geo Kilmar Chas Tinton Frank County of the remaining tenth has wretchedness the remaining tenth has | Tafortunate Children Fashions for descended to keep honesty and love to-

gether. The managers of the Orphane' Home in Topeka occasionally see a rift of this

unhappiness. Recently a woman applied at the Home for the admission of her three little the county at a banquet in the Copeland hotel at 1 o'clock today. The table was prettily decorated with roses and presented a very attractive appearance, and dence that years ago when the wrinkles after an excellent course dinner had in the brow and the drawn lines about been served Mr. Charles Gleed, Mr. John | the mouth were smooth and the eyes had

short speeches that were pointed, witty was young she had been very much in and well received. The guests were: love with a young man who was what Miss Mand Ream, Kilmer, Las: Mrs. J. people called "rising." In time she became engaged to him. Her parents were

very happy.
It was not long though before her idel

fell. His vices and general worthless-ness began to come to the surface, and it became apparent that if there was a liv-Work was not new to her and she was not afraid to wash and scrub in houses of her former friends for money to buy

bread and clothing with. He was well able to get money to buy whisky with, but how he got it she never knew.

This was the history of several years, and as they went the happy smile of vonth went with them. There was no more love and life for her beyond the

mother love she bore her children.

Perhaps it added nothing to her burden when four years ago he went away one day and did not come back. There was one less mouth to feed, and one less visible represent to her wested life. visible reproach to her wasted life.

When she came to the Home the other clist and only desirable because the skirt protectors and other small contrivances can be removed from the wheel, thereby making it lighter. "If I were out ridwould never see them again more than touched the matron's heart.

> The woman's hands were hard and cal-Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Hallowell of loused and showed that their owner must have done work that never was intended for a woman's hands.

> > they were more than patched. "There was only one suit for each child," said

Description of the knowledge that her children would be kept at the Home for three months aprons than they did, and they may be

WOMAN IN POLITICS. What the Three Organizations are Doing in Topeka.

There are three woman's organizations in Topeka which are distinctively politi-

The Topeka Equal Suffrage association is the oldest and includes women who class themselves as Republicans, Populists and there are one or two members who admit that their affiliations will be Democratic when the suffrage amendment becomes a part of the Kansus constitution. There are others in the association who are independent and say they will await the result of the vote on the amendment to hoist their party colors:

The suffrage association has never been a great success in point of numbers but among its members are some of the most enthusiastic suffrage workers in Miss Jessie Lewelling returned yester. the state. There are now 50 members ing, Mrs. Wiggin, Mrs. George Seward, day from Arkan-as City and left today in the association and meetings Mrs. Arthur Murphy and many other wo for Lawrence to attend a party this are held every month. This organization has been doing a great deal of quiet work for the amendment. It has held a great many parlor and lawn meetings in various parts of the city. The parlor meetings are attended only by ladies and a paper on the different phases of the suffrage question has been read by a member at each meeting. At the lawn meetings the men are invited and the women listen to discussions from the are some decided novelties. The princi-

One of the most assiduous workers in Miss Lucy Norton of Emporia, will the association is Mrs. Lucia O. Case, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. French will move act, but has arranged meetings on her attempt broycling unless they are willing to Garden City soon on account of their own responsibility. Yesterday a meetto wear such a costume.

to Garden City soon on account of their own responsibility. Yesterday a meeting was to have been held at wolff's pack; and on the plaited collarette. On the Miss Clara Francis will return to her ing house at the socia hour. Nearly 100 home at Brook-haven farm near Colony, voters are employed there and ors. Case and others intended to give them good reasons why they should vote for the endants at the Ashby-Farusworth wed-amendment. The meeting was, however, postponed and will be held next week. party of eight friends at dinner last places where numbers of men are em- quilted satin. This cont was a simple, ployed.

The Woman's Republican association is partisan. The members would like to see the amendment carry but they would rather it were defeated than that the Republican party should fail to elect Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Critzer went to their candidates. They have worked ansas City vesterday.

The Woman's Progressive Political league is also a partisan organization. It might be better called the Woman's Peoples' Party league.

The league bears the same relation to the Populist party that the Republican association does to the Republican party. In the number of members this is the largest of the three organizations and the books show a membership of 14). The league is just now busy in polling the Populist women in the city. schenck has completed the poll in North Topeka, and says she has found 700 Populist women. In the second precinct of the Third ward there are 50 women who call themselves Populists. The canvass in the other wards in the city has not yet

een completed. The league has made arrangements to participate in the street parade at the by several murderous names, and it was Populist rally here on November 8, They vill ride lu carriages.

The three associations will have large placards printed to post near the polling places on election day. They will read:

VOTE FOR THE AMENDMENT.

FASHION IN NURSES.

If This Be True, Heaven Help the Young Ones.

SUCCESSION OF GOVERNESSES.

Little Ones-Coats and Wraps for Women-A Short Sentskin Cont.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25 .- There is a fashion in nurses as well as a style for their clothes. A few years ago the rage was for French, but now a Swiss or German has the preference, probably on account of their neatness and more even disposition. Besides German must now be taught as well as French, and, though German takes a lifetime to learn, French can be learned in a few months. There are, however, a few ultra fashionables who have a regular succession of nurses and nursery governesses, Italian for Monday, German Tuesday, French Wednesday, Spanish Thursday and then German and French to finish up the week. On those days not a word of any



GOWNS FOR GIRL AND NURSE.

Spanish is now considered one of the elegant garment. necessary languages. A Japanese nurse

quite fancifully trimmed with lace, riberally made much larger to distinguish them from the tea caps of the lady of the house. One neat costume for a of steel gray cashmere, with white lin- more ago.

brown and this trimmed with gray Perand high bottimes. The long, silky angora fur is used to trim the "best" coats and cloaks, but it tangles and soils too

easily to make it suitable for every day. In coats and wraps for women there pal one is the short wrap with wide dolman sleeves. These are a renaissance of ancient styles, but dolmans are grace-She has not waited for the association to | ful if not very warm for the arms. One was of black velvet with rows of peaand on the plaited collarette. On the wide flowing sleeves were two rows, with a row of deeply ribbed black and gold colored plush ribbon between them. There was one row of this on the collar. The wrap closed invisibly down the neetings will also be held at other front and was lined with gold colored



NEW WRAPS.

loose sack in shape and reached about ten inches below the belt. We can all remember-or some of us can-the tirades against these loose dolman sleeves some 40 years ago. They were called said that every woman who were one courted death. They were them, though, until fushion changed.

There are many new coats, the distinguishing feature being the seams, which are flat double stitched or turned over once and stitched down so that the result is a thick welt. One coat of this kind was of snuff brown melton cloth, Handbills will also be printed and scat. and it was close fitting, with drooping tered among the voters and the three associations will bear the expense equally. | waist was carried up high in the neck,



And paddles her own capon

forming a collar which was bordered Most women who were bloomers cut with a round roll of astrakhan. It re- their hair short, but did not discard quires considerable art to achieve this sunbonnets in the summer or the beeds result and have it fit as if molded to the that were so much in vogue 30 years figure. Two rolls of astrakhan down ago in the winter. language but that of the nurse must be the front finish it off and make of this spoken by the unfortunate children, coat a neat and unobtrusive but really

very dressy cape. Olive HARPER.

ATTIRE OF WOMEN.

Garments Than Mrs. Bloomer Did.

[Special Correspondence.] CORNING, N. Y., Oct. 25,-The in-

whole cutift was more pleasing than have no memory whatever of the farore Curiette, Sarah Shull, Mary Sommers, many an elaborate toilet costing into he hundreds.

Fashions for little girls vary quite as woman's dress during the decade beMorris, Anna Whitmer, Lemma Prouty. much as those for the mothers. Some tween 1860 and 1870. The costume that Sadie Downing, Blanch Welr, May Duno, wear their skirts long and full, others was at that time devised was not espe- Florence Van Tasseli, Florence Coville, short and scant. There are fewer bertially attractive, but it was not open to Clara Shipman, Leona Jones, Alleo the objection that it could be mistaken beiner, Manie Johnson, Mrs. Dari, for male attire. As I remember, it usumes Mrs. Wilshire, Mrs. Wilshire, Mrs. Billof the capes to the little coats are nearly covered with a braided pattern. Whole coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are nearly consisted of a plain waits to the little coats. As I remember, it usually consisted of a plain waits to the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are being made for them out of astathan cloth in black or seal the little coats are seal to be a seal than the knee, and long, straight, ungraceful John Hackworth, Charlle Boone, El



BLOOMER COSTUME OF THIRTY YEARS AGO. abouts was generally of cheap calico, and the costome was worn without corsets. party of the season early in November. priced goods than cotton for bloomer toon and Polk next week.

mse. There were those who declared the Dr. and Mrs. W. N. West will give a costume immodest, but I doubt if any dinner party November 6 for their bridge one who ever looked upon it really party. thought it faulty in that particular.

where in the country in a very short pa. Facts and Faneles Jetted Down in the riod, but after a little it was practically laughed out of existence. Its inventor even discarded it when the novelty wore off. The last I heard of her she was living at Council Bluffs, Ia., but whether the There were some few women who clung in the most of them have street gowns are to bloomers permanently notwithstanding their general abandonment. Miss ing gowns are veritable "creations." Mary Soper, Hackensack, N. J., was one tronsers are not visible. Miss Prescott und as many usbers. of Hallowell, Me., is another who has in families. A grandfather, son and two worn bloomers for more than a quarter granddaughters in this city are often of a century, but in place of the Gari- seen on the streets. buldi waist and skirt she wears a long with outside pockets and many buttons, her appear taller.

A HARD TIMES PARTY.

The C. E. society of the First Congreis also a very great fad just now, but skin, and it reached to the waist line from some unexplainable reason they are regarded as froil and delicate and are regarded as frail and delicate, and lar, with revers reaching to the bottom, Nany of the young people were masked no really hard work is required of them, and beneath this was draped rich gui- and the more outland in the cost une the and yet they are very capable. They pure face in deep points, and there was more satisfied was the wearer. Late in The children's clothes were clean, but hey were more than patched. "There was only one suit for each child," said he matron, "and it was absolutely quilties."

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The children's clothes were clean, but they were more than patched. "There was not such pretty little adjuncts to a fine house, and one wants to put them up on the chimney. One lady has her child's nurse wear cap strings and apron strings to match the colors worn by the baby.

The children's clothes were clean, but the evening a lunch of johnny cake and the fivered a woman's rights recitation, Mrs. J. P. Wahle sang, Mrs. James Hazlett played and Miss Idell Campbell recited. It was a very lively gathering and fraught bon and embroidery. The caps are gen- The Bieyele Doing More For Biforented with much real pleasure to the young people. A Birthday Party.

> Miss Marjory Mullin gave a party to young Swiss nurse had a bib apron, the troduction of knickerbockers, divided honor of her fifteenth birthday, last even young Swiss nurse had a bib apron, the bib reaching ever the shoulders and fustening in the back with a bow of blue ribbon. The lower part was cut so as to lay straight across without plaits. The cap was a regular mob shape with black the attempted introduction of divided Sharum, Irene Peale, Ora Hull, Dale velvet ribbon around it. The dress was feminine garments some 30 years or Foulks, Mamie Crawford, Ross Colla Georgia Wilkshire, Lottie Pletcher, en cuffs and turndown coffer. The There are many young persons who Anna Smith, Edith Guibor, Daisy Hacksian fur. Caps of the same in heret, polo or Tam O'Shanter shape are worn. of the shoes. The material used here-Crawford, Roy Neely, Tom Trost, Roland. Milwate, Ernest Shaffor, David Larimer, Tom Whitmer, Roy Dixon, Brad John-son, Hugh Hamilton, Paul Hamilton, Torrence Ewart, and Roy Daniels.

Minor Sectal Mention. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Nesbaum are spend ing today in Kansas City. Mrs. J. B. Johnson and daughters, Madge and Mabel, spent yesterday in Kansas City shopping. Miss Julia Street spent yesterday in Kansas Cltv. Mrs. Lewelling came up from Wichita

yesterday to spend Sunday with the gov-The Washburn college juniors will

give a social this evening.

The Stedman club meets Monday evening with Judge Eldridge No. 218 east Tenth street. It will be a "Holmos meet ing" with quotations from the author of the "Autocrat of the Breakfast Table, and a sketch of his life and literary work by Mr. Eldridge. Dr. E. C. Ray's talk on culture, Mon-

day evening at the residence of Mrs. Jonathan Thomas, will be a rare treat for those who hear him. Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Wilder spent the past week in Chicago. The Topeka club will give the dest

Miss Daisy Levi goes to Kansas City It was a prime favorite for a time with tomorrow to spend a week, some very good women, but very few of Mrs. B. F. Booker and children will go them had the courage to cut up higher to house keeping at the corner of Hua-

TRINGS HEARD AND OVERHEARD.

The most important person this season of the year in feminine estimation is the dressmaker. The weddings have been resplendent with gowns that show all touches of a city dressmaker, and she is alive yet or not I do not know. most of them have been made in Topeka.

An engagement of long standing will of these, and I understand she still wears culminate in a large church wedding bloomers, but in her street costume the next month with at least five bridesmands

It seems that cycling, like music, runs

There is a girl in town who has cork contlike outer garment of gingham, put in the heels of her shoes to make